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Hardinge Bridge over the Padma River at Pakshey in Pabna district saw hundred years of its inauguration yesterday. Inset, artistes dance at a cultural function arranged to celebrate the occasion in a dried portion of the river under the longest steel-made rail bridge of the country.



Hardinge Bridge centenary celebrated

Discussion, cultural function mark the occasion

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Hundredth anniversary of the Hardinge Bridge, the country's longest steel-made railway bridge over the mighty Padma at Pakshey in Ishwardi upazila under the district, was observed with cross section of people joining colourful programmes arranged at the dry portion of the river under the bridge.

The majestic structure with architectural beauty was named after Lord Hardinge, viceroy of then

British-ruled India, who inaugurated it on March 4 in 1915.

The 1.8 kilometre-long double line rail bridge is still strong enough to perform more years, railway sources said.

Hoisting of flags, flying of balloons, cutting of cakes, discussion and cultural functions marked the programme organised by a committee comprising Khelaghar, Udichi, Spondon and a few other cultural organisations yesterday afternoon.

Committee convenor

Abul Kalam Azad chaired the programme while former member of National Board of Revenue Azizur Rahman Sharif, veteran politician Comrade Jasim Mondol and journalist Hasanuzzaman spoke, among others.

Besides facilitating communication, the bridge played an important role in the economic, social, and cultural development of the people on both sides of the Padma River in the region since the early 19th century, speakers said.

The railway department

of the then British government started the construction of the bridge in 1910 under the supervision of engineer Sir Robert William Gayles. The first train moved over the bridge on January 1 in 1915 as an engineering test before its official inauguration by Lord Hardinge on March 4 that year, railway sources said.

During the 1971 Liberation War, the historic bridge got damaged due to aerial bombing. It was repaired in 1972 to resume smooth movement of trains there.

2 AL leaders, trader stabbed

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Two local Awami League leaders and a trader were stabbed by unidentified criminals in Chapainawabganj, Jessore and Habiganj districts on Tuesday.

Our Chapainawabganj correspondent reported that armed criminals stabbed a local Awami League leader in Selimabad area under Shibganj municipality on Tuesday night.

The victim is Ekramul Haque, 45, councillor of Ward No 2 and also general secretary of the ward unit of AL.

Moinul Islam, officer in-charge of Shibganj Police Station quoted locals as saying that a gang entered Ekramul's house blasting several crude bombs around 11:00pm. They stabbed Ekramul indiscriminately with sharp weapons and fled the scene.

Locals rushed him to Shibganj Upazila Health Complex. Doctors of the hospital referred him to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital as his condition deteriorated.

In Jessore, a local leader of the ruling party was stabbed by criminals at Kagajpukur village in Sharsha upazila on Tuesday, reports UNB.

The victim was identified as Mahtab Uddin, joint secretary of Benapole municipality unit of AL.

Victim's son Sohel said a gang of 8/10 attacked his father while he was returning home from Sharsha Bazar on Tuesday evening, leaving him critically injured.

Contacted, Apurba Hasan, officer in-charge of Benapole Port Police Station, said locals rushed him to Jessore Medical College.

Away in Habiganj, criminals stabbed a trader in Khowai road area in the district town on Tuesday night, reports our Moulvibazar correspondent.

The victim, Munna Mia, 19, of Gobindapur village, is a sand trader of Khowai Mukh area.

51 shops, houses gutted in four districts

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At least 47 shops and four houses were gutted in fire incidents in Bhola, Kishoreganj, Bandarban and Bagerhat districts yesterday and the day before.

In Bhola, a fire gutted at least 15 shops at Battola Bazar in Charfashion upazila on Tuesday, reports our correspondent.

Police and locals said the fire originated from an electric short circuit at a shoe store at 11:45pm and soon engulfed the adjoining shops.

On information, two fire fighting units from Charfashion and Lalmohan upazilas rushed to the spot and doused the flames after an hour of frantic effort.

The loss caused by the fire could go up to Tk two crore, said Abul Bashar, officer-in-charge of Charfashion Police Station.

Away in Kishoreganj, at least 15 shops were gutted as a fire broke out at

Kachari Bazar in Sadar upazila early Tuesday, reports UNB.

OC Mosharraf Hossain of Kishoreganj Model Police Station said the fire originated from an electric short circuit at a shop at around 5:00am and soon engulfed the adjoining business establishments.

On information, firefighters rushed to the spot and brought the fire under control after two hours of frantic effort.

The extent of loss caused by the fire was estimated at Tk 50 lakh, said AFM Fakhru Hossain, general secretary of Kachari Bazar Byabasayee Samity.

According to our Bandarban correspondent, at least four houses and three shops were gutted in a fire in Hafezghona area under Sadar upazila yesterday.

The fire originated from a lamp at a house of one Rashed of the area in the morning and soon engulfed the adjacent houses and

shops, said fire officials. On information, firefighters rushed to the spot and doused the flames with the help of locals.

The affected house and shop owners claimed that the loss caused by the fire could go up to Tk 20 lakh.

In Bagerhat, at least 14 shops were gutted in a fire at a bazar in Morrelganj upazila of the district early yesterday, reports our correspondent.

Four people also sustained injuries when they tried to douse the fire, said locals.

The fire originated from an electric short circuit at a shop around 3:30am and soon engulfed the adjoining shops, said a fire official.

On information, firefighters rushed to the spot and extinguished the flames with the help of locals.

The damage caused by the fire could go up to Tk 75 lakh, said Ariful Haque, an official of Morrelganj Fire Service Station.

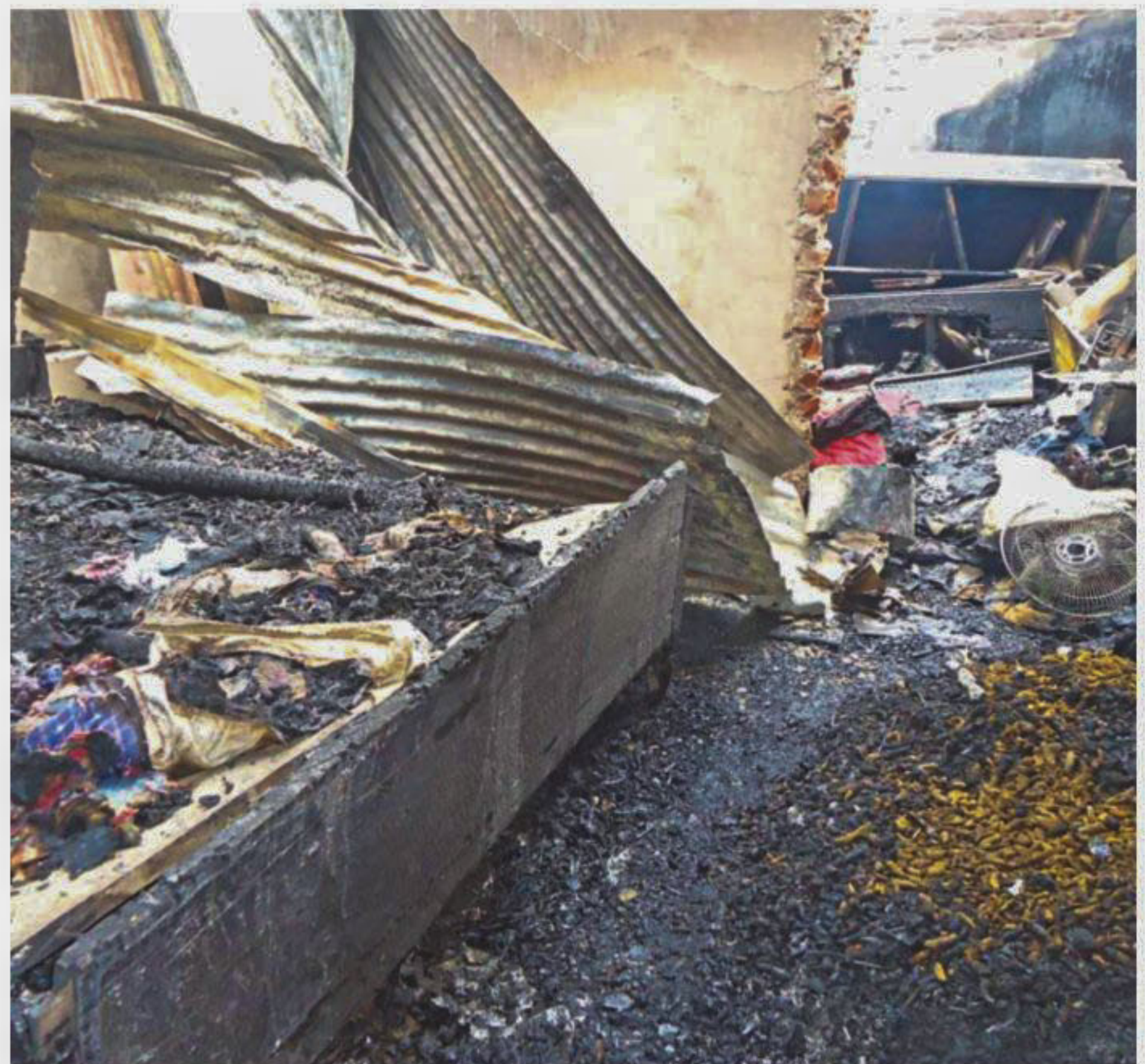


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A fire gutted four houses and three shops at Hafezghona in Bandarban Sadar upazila yesterday morning.



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An elephant set with a large poster parades the roads of Thakurgaon town yesterday, as a contestant arranged the novel campaign to woo voters for the post of organising secretary of Thakurgaon district truck-lorry-covered van workers' union in the election scheduled for Saturday.

Sundarganj mayoral by-polls today

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Gaibandha

By-election for the post of mayor of Sundarganj municipality in Gaibandha district will take place today.

Four candidates from Awami League (AL) and a lone candidate from Jatitya Party (JP-Ershad) are in the race.

The candidates are Ahsanul Karim Chand, president of AL municipality unit, Masudul Islam Chanchal, vice-president of the unit, Abdullah-Al-Mamum, president of AL ward unit, Golam Ahsan Habib Masud, president of upazila Swechchasebok League, and Moshir Rahman, a leader of JP upazila unit.

As many as 12,310 voters

are expected to exercise their right to franchise in today's by-polls.

The seat fell vacant as the ministry concerned removed Sundarganj municipality mayor Nurunnabi Pramanik Saju, also a Jamaat leader, from the post on October 1 last year.

The ministry took the decision against Nurunnabi Pramanik as he was charge-sheeted in 14 cases, including one for killing four cops, at Bamondanga Rail Station police outpost in the upazila on February 28, 2013.

Preparations have been made for holding peaceful voting in the municipality, said Rashedul Huq Prodhan, UNO (in-charge) of Sundarganj.

20 sued for torching covered van

UNB, C'nawabganj

Twenty people have been sued on charge of torching a covered van on Tuesday at Kansat in Shibganj upazila that left the driver dead and helper injured.

Sun-Inspector Masud Rana of Shibganj Police Station said Hasan Ali, brother of covered van driver Shipan, filed the case against 20 unnamed people with the police station on Tuesday night.

Criminals hurled a petrol bomb at the covered van while it was going to Sonamasjid land port at around 5:00am, leaving its driver Shipan dead on the spot and helper Shakil injured.

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1	CNC Lathe Machine- 01 Nos	30 March 2015 Dropping 1200 hrs Opening 1205 hrs	31 March 2015 Dropping 1200 hrs Opening 1205 hrs	Local	Tk. 750/- Non refundable	23.04.0000.166.231(i).6813.13.14 dt. 25-01-2015
2.	Explosive TNT Flake (21,000 kg) & Explosive TNT Granular (9,000 kg)	25 March 2015 Dropping 1200 hrs Opening 1205 hrs	28 March 2015 Dropping 1200 hrs Opening 1205 hrs	Foreign	Tk. 5000/- Non refundable	23.04.0000.167.135(ii)4856.13.14 dt. 03-03-2015

- Supplier enlisted at BOF, DGDP and any other defence organization, who have security clearance will only be eligible to participate in the above tenders.
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- The supplier will be able to submit only one offer against the purchased tender schedule, if some supplier want to submit alternative offers, then they will have to buy separate tender schedule for each alternative offer.
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